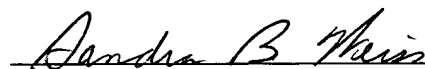


REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005, wherein the Examiner stated that claims 8-13 and 18-26 would be allowable if amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. These claims have been amended accordingly. No change in the scope of these claims is intended by any of the foregoing amendments. Claims 1-7 and 14-17 have been cancelled.

It is respectfully submitted that the remaining pending claims are in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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